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Leading American enterprise software company QAD had awarded Minerva the world's first licence to operate QAD Enterprise Cloud in its own data centre, enabling Minerva to offer cloud services at a price point favourable to the requirements of the Czech and Slovak markets.

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Minerva has announced that it has successfully undergone a rigorous audit by partner QAD. As a result and based on their long-term partnership as well as the proven quality of Minerva's services, QAD decided to award Minerva the world's first licence for QAD Enterprise Cloud by Minerva.

Even though Minerva has been successfully providing cloud services to its customers for many years, its data centre and processes have now been passed an intensive audit administered by QAD. The resulting licence authorises Minerva as a QAD partner to directly provide to its customers exactly the same cloud services which have previously been exclusively supplied all over the world by QAD via its own data centres.

"Prices of ERP cloud services offered by global providers in the Czech and Slovak markets have historically been very high which has resulted in many companies deciding not to use them," says Petr Koptík, Sales Director and Chairman of the Board of Directors of Minerva ČR. He continues, "By being awarded this unique and prestigious QAD licence, for which we are truly thankful, we are the first company to be able to adapt its pricing to the needs of our domestic market and to make cloud services more affordable and therefore more available to our customers." Reflecting on the experience of working with Minerva, he concludes: "In my opinion, the positive attitude of Minerva's implementation team is unique on the Czech market."

"We are very excited to extend our fast growing QAD Cloud offering for global manufacturing companies to local markets by leveraging the skills and expertise of partners like Minerva, providing customers with more options to meet their needs", commented Jean-Claude Walravens, QAD Senior Vice President for EMEA (Europe, Middle East and Africa).

Minerva is the exclusive provider of QAD enterprise applications in the Czech Republic and Slovakia and is also a distributor of QAD in Eastern Europe. Minerva is a Silver Solution Provider of Preactor International and has successfully implemented Preactor APS throughout Europe.



Minerva Česká republika is a company with a strong customer focus and strategy oriented towards enterprise applications for manufacturing and distribution companies. It is committed to helping customers improve their overall company management with greater efficiency, control and productivity through the implementation of the correct IT system. Minerva ČR provides its customers with a full line of services, from software implementation through business process optimization consultancy, system integration, world-class e-business solutions and outsourcing. Apart from the Czech Republic and Slovakia, Minerva also operates in Ukraine, Lithuania, Hungary and Romania, serving more than 150 manufacturing and distribution companies. The QAD Enterprise Applications system has been rated by independent analysts on a long-term basis as an industry-focused ERP system with the shortest period of implementation and a low total cost of ownership (TCO). The solution's flexible and open architecture provides a solid foundation for further company growth. QAD Enterprise Applications software is available in 26 languages. For detailed information please visit www.minerva-is.eu.

